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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Docket No. KYA-0010

Application No. 09/556,392

Filing Date April 24, 2000 Examiner Z. Smith

Art Unit 2877

Applicant(s): Yuichi NODA, et al.

Invention: SHEET MATERIAL FOREIGN MATTER DETECTING METHOD AND APPARATUS

#### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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For:

SHEET-MATERIAL FOREIGN-MATTER DETECTING METHOD AND

**APPARATUS** 

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

#### MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1, 3 and 5-7 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claim 7 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 1 and 3 are amended.

Applicant expresses his appreciation for the Examiner's allowance of claims 5 and 6.

# **II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

### **III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

(There are no amendments to the specification)